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WILLIAM SEMPLE,

In the Stone House, Second-street,

HAS just received a general assortment of Groceries, Hats, Books, Stationary, &c. which he will sell on the lowest terms for cash or approved country produce.

And as he has waited with uncommon patience for those who have been long indebted to him, he now gives notice, that unless they come and pay up their accounts before the middle of March next, he will be under the disagreeable necessity of putting them into other hands so as to enforce a collection.

Pittsburgh, Feb. 12, 1795.

N. B. Those indebted to Andrew Watson and Co. and who do not settle with Andrew Watson or William Semple before the above mentioned time, may expect their accounts will be put into suit.

Philadelphia and Pittsburgh MAILS.

PROPOSALS will be received at the General Post Office until the 31st day of March next, inclusively, for carrying the Mails of the United States between Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, the times of arrival and departure to be as follows:—

Receive the Mail at Philadelphia every Saturday at half past eleven o'clock in the forenoon and deliver it at Pittsburgh every Friday at noon.

Returning, receive the mail at Pittsburgh every Friday at five o'clock in the afternoon, and deliver it at Philadelphia the next Friday at noon.

Note 1. The contract will be made to commence on the 18th day of April next, and continue in force until the 31st day of April 1799.

Note 2. Should the hours of receiving and delivering the mail be found inconvenient to the public, the Post Master General may at any time change them, provided that if such changes should prove injurious to the contractors, they shall not be made without an adequate compensation previously stipulated.

Note 3. For every hour's delay in delivering the mail at Pittsburgh and Philadelphia after the times prescribed the contractor shall forfeit one dollar. And no excuses to save a forfeiture for delays shall be admitted, unless reasonable proof be produced to the Post Master General, that the delays were occasioned by the impassibility of rivers.

Note 4. The contractors shall be responsible for the fidelity of the persons, to whom they entrust the mails.

General Post Office, Philadelphia, January 29, 1795.

Came to the plantation of the subscriber on the great road leading from Washington to Parkinson's ferry, six miles distant from the former, a two year old heifer, having the left ear cropt, and a slit in the right, also a yearling heifer cropt in the right ear and a slit in the left, and a yearling steer, having a swallow fork in the right ear. The owners by proving property and paying charges may have them again.

JOS. IRON.

January 26, 1795.

A large assortment of

BOULTING CLOTHS,

of a superior quality, to be sold on the lowest terms by the subscriber, at his store in Mercerburgh.

ROBERT PARKER.

December 25, 1794.

NOTICE.

THE partnership of Jacob Bowman and Co. being dissolved on the 24th instant, all those who have any demands against said firm are desired to bring them in, and those who are indebted are earnestly requested to make payment without delay to the subscriber.

JACOB BOWMAN.

Brownsville, 20th Jan. 1795.

JACOB BOWMAN,

INFORMS his friends and the public in general, that he is now opening and daily expects a large and general assortment of WET and DRY GOODS, suitable to the present and ensuing season, which he will dispose of on the very lowest terms for cash, and approved country produce.

Brownsville, Jan. 26, 1795.

FRANCIS BRYAN & Co.

Have a quantity of

Sugar Kettles,

and other Castings for sale, and also bar-iron.

Mouth of Jacob's creek,

February 2, 1795.

TO BE LET,

And may be entered upon the first of April next.

TWO Plantations in Allegheny county, one adjoining land of John Finley, Esq. and Two Plantations in Washington county, with good improvements on each. For terms apply to the subscriber on the waters of Peter's creek.

JOHN WALLACE.

February 13, 1795.

ALL persons indebted to the estate of John Simmrall deceased, are requested to make immediate payment, and, those having claims against said estate are requested to bring them forward properly authenticated for settlement.

JOHN SIMMRALL,]
ALEX SIMMRALL,] Administrs.

February 12, 1795.

Four Dollars Reward.

STRAYED away from the subscriber on the 15th of October last, a bay Horse, abut 12 years old, about 14 hands high, very heavy made, a good deal saddle marked, trots and paces. Whoever takes up said horse and bring, him to Henry Brian's mill, or to the subscriber shall have the above reward with reasonable charges paid by

RUEL REED.

Came to the house of the subscriber on the 2d inst. a red Cow, with a white face and two black spots on each side of her mouth, with a white belly and both hind feet white just above the hoof. The owner is desired to come, prove property, pay charges, and take her away. The said cow had a calf the night she came to the subscriber's.

JOHN M'NEAL.

Pitt, Feb. 9, 1795.

Lewis Bond & Co.

Have just received and are now opening at their store opposite Pittsburgh, and at John M'Kee's, mouth of Youghiogeny, a large and general assortment of

Dry Goods and Groceries,

which they will sell low for cash or country produce.

February 6, 1795.

Joseph Patterson, & Co.

HAVE just received a large assortment of IRONMONGERY, which they will sell on moderate terms for cash or country produce.

He also wishes to inform the public that he has a Nail Manufactory, where they may be supplied with Nails of all sizes. A few good Nailors will meet with encouragement by applying to the subscriber.

Pittsburgh, January 15, 1795.

All persons indebted to the subscriber are desired to take notice, that his books are lodged with William Meetkerke, Esq. in the town of Washington, who is authorised to settle all his accounts.

A. BAIRD.

February 6, 1795.

WHEREAS I have purchased a still of about 100 gallons from a certain Thomas M'Comes, who then had it at work on the place of Mr. Peagly near Mingo creek meeting house, about the first of November last, and whereas the said still was forfeited to the United States before the said purchase, unknown to me, I take this method of forwarning all persons from taking an assignment on three notes given by me to him, two of them for twenty pounds each, the other for five pounds, due in April, as I am determined not to pay them until the demands against them are satisfied or I am compelled by law.

ANDREW BOGGS.

Washington county,

Feb. 2, 1795.

Came to the plantation where the subscriber now lives, on Grant's Hill, one mile from Pittsburgh, a black and white Cow, with a split in the right ear. The owner is desired to come, prove property pay charges and take her away.

John Buchanan.

Feb. 18, 1795.

TAKE NOTICE.

ALL those who have not paid the arrearages of duties due on their stills, that unless a speedy payment, the collectors of the fourth survey will be under the necessity of taking the steps of the law to recover the same. Retailers of wine or foreign distilled spirits are notified that unless they apply at the office of inspection in their respective counties and take out licence, suits will be commenced for the fines.

BENJAMIN WELLS,
JOHN WELLS,
JOHN WEBSTER,
WM. MEETKERKE,
ROBERT JOHNSON, } Collectors

February 17, 1795.

LAST NOTICE

ALL persons indebted to the subscriber are desired to come in and pay off their respective balances before the first of March next, otherwise they may expect that their accounts will be put into suit.

WILLIAM FERD.

Feb. 20 1795.

WILLIAM CHRISTY

Has just received a few pieces of blue, grey, scarlet, drab and brown

Coatings, Forest Cloths,

Flannels, large Rose Blankets, &c. which he will sell for Cash, Country Produce.

Pittsburgh, February 6, 1795.

I AM specially directed to notify the owners and possessors of stills within the county of Washington, by the fourth survey of the collection district of Pennsylvania who are charged with arrearages due on their stills to the last day of June last, (and have not paid the same) that the names of the defaulters will be returned to the department attorney for the district in order that he may have time sufficient to cause processes to be issued against them and served returnable to the next court who do not immediately comply and make payment either at the office of inspection within the county to which they belong or by delivering writings to the inspector of the survey at Pittsburgh. All the rest of the counties within the survey having nearly discharged the amount of their quotas without compulsion.

WILLIAM MEETKERKE,
Collector of the Revenue for the 2d division of the 4th Survey, District of Pennsylvania.

Washington, Feb. 16, 1795.

A Wet Nurse with a fresh breast of milk proper for an infant now just four weeks old, wanted on liberal wages. Enquire of

ALEX. ADDISON.

Washington, Feb. 21, 1795.

WHEREAS the subscriber purchased 200 acres of land, more or less, in Armstrong township, Westmoreland county, from certain James Scott, of Mount pleasant township county aforesaid, and gave him seven notes, viz. one for twelve pounds payable in March 1795, one for ten pounds payable in March 1796, one for ten pounds payable in March 1797, one for ten pounds in March 1798, one for ten pounds payable in March 1799, one payable in March 1800, and one payable in March 1801. And whereas the said Scott cannot make me a sufficient title for said land, I forwarn all persons from taking an assignment of said notes as I am determined not to pay them until a good title be made me by said James Scott.

JAMES CANNON.

February 17, 1795.

ON RELIGION

It was the practice of Addiſon, for his paper of Saturday, to ſelect ſome intereſting leſſon of private virtue, or of public morals.—it ſurely cannot be amiſs to devote a corner of your paper to lucubrations on the moſt intereſting ſubject that can encourage the mind—at that period which is that of anticipation of an univerſal day of reſt.

Religion which in Europe continues to entangle and mix itſelf in political diſtinctions, becauſe of ſome ſtate jugglers who think to cover their deſigns with her venerable mantle—in the United States preſents herſelf in native dignity—Here ſhe reſpires the air of liberty—conſequently is not to be found in the Monaſtick cell or cloiſter—but where does ſhe live more amiably in the practice of the private virtues?

The eſſence of Religion is charity—it ſum and ſubſtance is in a tender benevolent heart—an heart melting with deſires for the good of our neighbour as for our own—and that not merely on account of his being of this or that party, but on account of his being a man—of the ſame nature with ourſelves—equally walking with us towards the grave—equally the candidate of a glorious immortality.

In ſome countries the benevolence of the nation adminiſtered by a ſingle individual, proclaims an act of Grace on occaſion of ſome great public advantage obtained. In our happy country—when the feuds of domeſtic trouble ceaſe, our venerable preſident calls us to the altar.—What an happineſs for America if in approaching it, we may do it as our ſaviour had commanded in the words following.—

"If thou bring thy gift to the altar and remembereſt thy brother hath aught againſt thee;—leave there thy gift before the altar and go thy way; firſt be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift."

With ſuch a temper & frame of mind ſincerely exerciſed, inſtead of illuminating our houſes, as it is ſaid they propoſe to do in Boſton—we ſhall illuminate our hearts—with patience, forbearance, mutual love and friendſhip—the nobleſt tribute for that infinite being who looks down with careleſſneſs on our party diſtinctions; but who hears the ſighings of a contrite heart, and the deſire of all ſuch as are ſorrowful."

Let us as members of one family—let us Americans embrace each other cloſe to the heart. Let us in imitation of the French, our brave Allies ſwear to be true to our Republic One and indiviſible—let us ſupport the diggity, the energy of our own government, by ceding where we can rival opinions, and where we cannot do this, let us imitate, at leaſt in politics, our conduct in Religion, in allowing a general toleration——So ſhall this land of Liberty, ſtill continue alſo to be the land of affection, and the Preſident's wiſhes be gratified in offering it to all nations as "a ſafe and propitious afylum for the unfortunate of other countries."

C. D.

From a Belfaſt Paper.

BRITISH AND AMERICAN CONSTITUTIONS.

1ſt. In England a king, and in America a Preſident ſuperintend the Executive powers are nearly the ſame, with a few trifling exceptions, to wit: The king can make Peace or War, which the Preſident cannot—the king can levy ſoldiers and ſailors, without limit, which the Preſident cannot. The king can grant ſubſidies to any amount, and hire mercenary troops, which the Preſident cannot. The king can prevent any law whatever from being enacted, which the Preſident cannot; and finally, the royal family coſts about two million ſterling per annum, whilſt the Preſident gets only four thouſand pounds!

2d. America has a Senate exactly ſimilar to the Britiſh Houſe of Lords, except that the Senate is elected by the people: the noble houſe of Peers is hereditary. The Senators are amenable to the law: Lords are privileged. Vacancies in the Senate are filled by delegates of the people: the king makes Lords!

3d. In England a houſe of Commons, and in America a houſe of Repreſentatives form their third eſtate—their powers are nearly ſimilar, but ſome little difference ariſes in their conſtitution. In America the delegates are choſen by the People—in England the commons repreſent their own money, or nominated by the Crown which employs them. In America no man holding a place can be a legiſlator—In England two thirds of the houſe of commons enjoy places or penſions under the king. In America the delegates receive a ſalary from their conſtituents for doing the public buſineſs—In England ſeats in Parliament are publicly bought and ſold. In America the Repreſentatives of the people enact the laws—in England no law can be made without the leave of the king! In Ameriea a Convention of the whole people altered their conſtitution about ſix or ſeven years ago—In England Convention of the people are—treaſonable!

With theſe and ſome other ſuch trivial exceptions, the conſtitutions of the two countries are amazingly aſſimilated! and "he knows little of human nature, and has ſtudied hiſtory ſtill leſs," who does not at one glance ſee, that thoſe points where America has deviated from the orthodox ſtandard of the Britiſh conſtitution, ſhe has done it raſhly—that the only beauties viſible in her horizon, are thoſe where ſhe has prudently and wiſely copied from us: and that after all, ſhe is yet in embryo, and merely making an experiment!

From the Newark Gazette.

A ſuperficial View of the Government of the United States.

WHEN we had thrown off the Britiſh yoke of tyranny, we were left in our natural ſtate, without law, without government—having nothing to regulate our lives or conduct by, but the dictates of reaſon and conſcience. No one having a right to govern or be governed but by conſent. It then became neceſſary to aſſociate for mutual defence and the common conveniences of life, and to form ſome kind of government—A Republican, which is the moſt free and natural, was in contemplation; but by reaſon of our extent of country, there aroſe a difficulty in our meeting in one body, to tranſact buſineſs, which is the moſt ſimple and natural way in that form of government. We were therefore under neceſſity to have recourſe repreſentation. Accordingly deputies, or agents were appointed, and ſent from the ſeveral ſtates, with certain limited power, to tranſact the buſineſs for the whole.——Thoſe deputies when met we called Congreſs. We then proceeded, through them to form a ſet of rules or regulations, which was to be conſidered as a compact, between the people and their deputies, and between the ſeveral ſtates. In like manner, the ſeveral ſtates appointed deputies, and formed compacts for tranſacting the buſineſs, that more immediately concerned

Thoſe compacts we call conſtitutions—Thus were we organized, and our buſineſs was carried on with ſucceſs through our ſtruggle with Great-Britain. But at the concluſion of the war, it was found by experience, that the power veſted in Congreſs was not ſufficient to anſwer the purpoſe intended. It therefore became neceſſary, to amend the old conſtitution, or frame a new one; the laſt of thoſe two expedients was thought beſt. A convention was called, and a new conſtitution drawn up and preſented to the people for conſideration; ſome objections were made to ſome particular clauſes therein contained. But finding the convention (ſenſible of their own infirmities) had made proviſion for amendments, if they ſhould appear neceſſary: it was finally ratified. And happy in many inſtances have been the effects; for, by that means Government received new life and energy, eſtabliſhed public faith, made proviſion for diſcharging our public debts, and warded off many evils, which ſeemed to threaten the diſſolution of our government. Theſe and many more, were the happy conſequences of the additional powers veſted in Congreſs. But now let us take a view of the other ſide of the queſtion and ſee whether we have not emerged from one extreme to another: Whether to ſhun the ſnad on one ſide, we ſhall not ſplit on the rock on the other. I know it is a nice point to draw a line between the powers and rights neceſſary to be depoſited in the hands of rulers, and thoſe which ſhall be retained in the hands of the people. But ſure I am, it muſt be a ſtanding rule with the people, if they would wiſh to ſupport their freedom, never to diveſt themſelves of any part of their rights or powers, that can with propriety and convenience be exerciſed by themſelves. For it is neceſſity alone, that can juſtify a people in relinquiſhing thoſe rights and powers, which Heaven has put into their hands, for themſelves and poſterity—For this reaſon, that no power in the hands of the original holders, will ever injure the people; while on the other hand there never was any delegated power, but what hiſtory informs us, at one time or other, has been abuſed, and often to the deſtruction of the lives and fortunes of thoſe who delegated it.—Like circumſtances, produce like effects; mankind is mankind in all ages; nor are we ſure that our legiſlative bodies will always be compoſed of virtuous upright men, clear of the infirmities incident to human nature. From theſe conſiderations, two queſtions will naturally ariſe—

1ſt. Whether by the conſtitution we have veſted Congreſs with any unneceſſary powers?

2d. Suppoſing we have—what evil conſequences can ariſe from ſuch powers in their hands?

In anſwering theſe two queſtions, I ſhall confine myſelf at preſent to that clauſe in our conſtitution which authoriſes Congreſs to appoint and determine their own wages: And to the firſt I anſwer, that if it was neceſſary to give Congreſs that power, it muſt, I preſume, be on account either of juſtice, convenience or expenſe. And as to the firſt of theſe, the matter ſtands thus: There was a number of men to be hired to do a certain piece of buſineſs for the people, whoſe right it was to employ and pay them—Here then is two contracting parties.—The province of the one is to propoſe terms, and that of the other to refuſe or accept them. Who then that conſiders the imperfections of human nature, can ſuppoſe that the moſt likely way to have juſtice done in this caſe, would be for the party whoſe right it was to propoſe terms, to ſay to the other, Come, ſince ye are all honeſt upright men, make both ſides of the bargain—conſult the matter among yourſelves; draw up the conditions as beſt ſuit you. Nay, more—ſpend what time you pleaſe in conſulting and fixing your bargan to your own minds—charge it to us—then put your hands into our pockets and pay all. Is this not the language of that clauſe in the conſtitution to which I had reference; does it authoriſe Congreſs to make both ſides of the bargain? Reaſon look down with contempt on ſuch abſurdities—And as for convenience, I cannot ſay, but it might be attended with ſome incenvenience to thoſe who ſerve the public for the people to appoint their pay: but I ſee no convenience that could [illegible] people. Let them proceed in the manner to appoint the [illegible] do to appoint the members [illegible] voter at election, when he [illegible] member, name the ſum he [illegible] ceive; let the ſum which [illegible] greateſt number of votes [illegible] in the member's certificate [illegible] they meet let them average [illegible] ral ſums, and a medium [illegible] wages. This mode of [illegible] Legiſlators, with all the [illegible] ſigned, will apply to all the [illegible] vernments in the union, [illegible] thouſands yearly, which [illegible] by the members, altercating [illegible] ter in the houſe.

We now come to conſider [illegible] cond queſtion, viz. What evil [illegible] quences can ariſe from ſuch [illegible] Congreſs? Here I think it [illegible] proper to reverſe the queſtion [illegible] what evil conſequences, can we [illegible] ceive of, that might not attend [illegible] vernment, where the people [illegible] ven up the power and right of [illegible] pointing the wages of their Legiſla[illegible] tors; —What a fine bait to draw men of the moſt ſelfiſh avaricious principles into Congreſs? & if we ſhould [illegible] be ſo unfortunate, as to ſee that houſe filled with ſuch characters might they not raiſe their wages from four to ſix, from ſix to eight, and from that to thirty or forty dollars per day? and to do it the more gracefully, muſt they not augment the wages and ſalaries of every public officer both civil and military in ſome proportion to their own? How then are we to get rid of this unrighteous burden, thus conſtitutionally laid on our ſhoulders?—It may be, ſome will ſay, by petitioning. Shall then the people, the Great Sovereign of the United States be brought to the humiliating neceſſity of petitioning for what they have a natural and once had a conſtitutional right to demand? Let us then hear the purport of this petition.

"And may it pleaſe your honors, ſince we, your humble ſervants, have been ſo remiſs in our duty to ourſelves and poſterity, as to authorize you to put your hands in our pockets and take what you pleaſe, even all we have, & that for your own private uſe—Spare us a ſmall pittance for the ſupport of our poor little ragged ſtarvelings." And ſuppoſe thoſe humble petitions ſhould meet with cold acceptions, or with ſlight and neglect—what then?—will you leave ſuch members out of the houſe and ſend better? But will it not be in the power and to the intereſt of thoſe that ſhare the plunder to keep them in? Yes—and every one that ſips of the rivulets that proceed from the ſtream will ſupport the fountain. And are theſe the only evils that are like to flow this miſplaced power? or muſt we not expect that it will create in the minds of the people a jealouſy over their rulers and a prejudice againſt government? Is there not ſomething of this ſpirit already prevailing through the country? or why do we hear the people complaining that their property is by government taken and applied to private uſes without their conſent? Nor is their complaint altogether groundleſs, for in the caſe before us, it is hard to ſee wherein the people have any voice in the matter, unleſs we ſuppoſe their ſilence, when the conſtitution was ratified, implied a conſent. But in every other part of the public expenſe there is two different intereſts concerned in the contract. The intereſt of the part of government is to ſave the money; while that on the other is to get all they can. Here the people have a voice through the repreſentatives, whoſe intereſt is inſeparably connected with their own. Not ſo in the other caſe; there the intereſt is all on one ſide of the queſtion—none to be objects—the givers is the takers; ſo though a man ſhould take up a purſe with one hand and put it [illegible]

judge with the other where is the whole of the bargain. It has been an old maxim among politicians, that the legislature could lay no burden on the people without bearing their equal part.

Let us see how this will apply in the present case: and I think if we find it true in any sense, it must be in this; that while one part bears their burdens on their backs, the other bears them in their pockets. Nor are these all the evils that may arise from this source; have not we reason to fear that the people labouring under the burdens, thinking themselves oppressed, jealous of their rights and despairing of any other relief, may take some violent measures to redress their own grievances, which may deluge our country into a field of blood. Are these things real, or only the visionary flights of fancy;—We have reason to fear (unless the cause be removed) that we or our posterity shall one day find them serious realities.

O then, ye free born sons of America! when ye meet by your representatives in a legislative capacity, like a wise and faithful physicians, extract from your constitutions that poison which threatens their existence, & hand them down sound and healthy to posterity.

NATURAL REASON.

KINGSTON, Dec. 27.

The Mary sailed from Port-au-Prince at 12 o'clock at noon on the 15th instant, with twenty four French gentlemen on board, 4 English negroes, six or seven seamen, the master, mate, and one gentleman passenger. At nine in the evening, between the triangles and the point of St. Marc, they were attacked by a republican brig privateer, which came out from behind the island of Genaive, engaged them with great spirit for an hour & half, and then went off, having killed two of the French, and wounded three of the crew.

A short time before the close of the action, the Privateer's people boarded, and ten or a dozen of them were at one time on the Mary's bowsprit; but a well directed volley from the small arms of the French passengers (whose gallantry and good conduct through the whole action cannot be sufficiently commended) and a discharge of canister shot from the after gun, effectually swept off the desperadoes.

The captain of the privateer spoke English too well to be any other than an English or American subject; the major part of the crew, which was extremely numerous, appeared to be brigands; from the darkness of the night, the number of guns could not be counted, but it is supposed there were eight or ten, the Mary had eight wounded.

Admiral Ford, in the Europa, with the Belliquex and Intrepid, is at Cape Nichola mole; the Magicienne and Marie Antoinette are at Port-au-Prince, and the Iphigene at St. Marc's. The Swan, Penelope and Success, are believed to be cruizing, the latter between the Caymites and Tiburon.

Extract of a letter from St. Marc's dated the 10th inst.

"A large body of Brigands has been surprized at the habitation Payse, a considerable number were killed and many were taken with all their camp equipage; among the prisoners were six of their chiefs, who were beheaded."

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.

From the ORRERY, a Boston paper. Thursday the 19th of February, 1795.

ANTICIPATED.

"THIS DAY, all the religious societies and denominations, and all persons whosever, within the limits of the United States of America, in obedience to a requisition from the President of the Union, were assembled together, for the solemn purpose of celebrating a Thanksgiving; in which they seriously reviewed the calamities that afflicted so many other nations, &, contrasting the present flourishing condition of the United States therewith, were deeply impressed with the devoutest feelings of gratitude. One circumstance added a lustre to the solemn and affecting scene, which has never been surpassed in ancient days, and perhaps will not be equalled again in the memory of man. This circumstance was as follows:

The minister and people of every denomination, deeming the present the most favourable opportunity for the redemption of their brethren in slavery at Algiers, accordingly dedicated the after part of the day, to the most glorious efforts of human benevolence; and although we are not authorized to say, that a sufficient sum was collected, for the full redemption of these unfortunate victims; yet, we are happy to hear that a spark from the alter of charity has kindled the flame of benevolence throughout the continent and that such measures are adopting, as will eventually tend to the perfect liberation of every prisoner.

It gives us the most distinguished pleasure to remark, that the town of Boston alone came up fully to the expectations of "Heraclitus a philanthropic writer, in the Federal Orrery of November 20, 1794; who stated, that her inhabitants were able and willing to redeem a captain and 8 privates, rating the first mentioned at 4000 dollars ransom, and the last mentioned at 2000* dollars each.

The residue of the towns in this commonwealth, recollecting that 5 vessels, to wit, 1 ship 2 brigs, and 2 schooners, were captured out of their ports, gave liberally, beyond all example; and, when we remember, that Virginia, who lost but one schooner, has furnished a very, generous contribution, we sincerely hope that the surplus of one state will supply the deficiency of another.

Since thanksgiving it has been confidentally whispered, that Congress have determined to make up any remaining sum, and that Col. Humphreys will receive orders to immediately negociate the full liberation of our prisoners.

It is but justice to add, that the various temples, dedicated to the most High, were never before so amply crouded; & our fair country-women, who could not command immediate cash, made an immense, but cheerful sacrifice of rings and jewels, to a very great amount.

Many of the opulent planters in Virginia, and the southren states, did honour to themselves, by giving from 100 to 150l. piece; and a gentleman, in this town, who never suffers himself to be distanced in the cause ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS, IN BANK BILLS.

NOTE. * It appears by Captain Penrose's letter inserted in this Gazette yesterday, that the Dey of Algiers demands only Eighteen Hundred Dollars for the Redemption of each Individual, without respect to rank.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 13.

On Monday last, at the Country House of Andrew Allen, Esq. in Bucks County, died, after an illness of eight days, in the sixty-seventh year of his age,

The Hon. JOHN PENN,

He was descended from an ancient and distingished family in England, rendered more illustrious, by the preeminent virtues and talents of his Grand Father William Penn, the Great Founder and Legislator of Pennsylvania: from whom he inherited, through his father Richard Penn, the one fourth part of the proprietaryship of the province of Pennsylvania, and exercised the office of Govenor thereof, antecedently to, and until the commencement of the American revolution. In the reverse of fortune, to which that event gave rise, he manifested the same equanimity, that uniformly characterized him, during the period of his former prosperity, and retained to the last moment of his existence, the most affectionate attachment to the country, which his ancestor had planted. Whilst his public admiration constantly exhibited, his love of justice, his moderation and integrity; his private life, was adorned by the unassuming modesty of his deportment the gentleness of his manners, and the serenity of his temper; at the same time, that it was dignified by the most inviolable love of truth.

The National Convention have decreed that a flag with the national colors shall be sent to America to be presented to Congress, in token of eternal union between the two countries.

The army of the Eastern Pyrennes has gained very important advantages over the Spaniards. On the 17th and 20th, November, they defeated the enemy and took all their cannon, most of their tents, baggage, &c.

While victory accompanies the French armies in the field, and justice and moderation triumph over intrigue and the partizans of club government, the republic is in great want of provitions and raw materials for manufacture. Petitions on those subjects are constantly carried from various departments to the Convention.

Mr. Mitchel, the English resident at Berlin, during the second Silesian war, in communicating to the king of Prussia the intelligence of some advantage obtained over the enemy, made use of the following expression; "By the help of God we have gained a victory over the French." "What," said the king, "is God one of our Allies?" "Yes, certainly," replied the Ambassador, "& the only one who demands no subsidies of us."

Pittsburgh, February 28.

We are informed by letters from Cussewago, on French creek, dated the 20th instant, that the snow between Fort Franklin and that place is two feet deep, and between that place and Fort Lebœuf, is upwards of three feet. Ensign M'Cutcheon, with a detachment of state levies, had arrived at Cussewago after a very fatiguing march, but is unable to proceed further until a change takes place in the weather.

*** *The members of the Pittsburgh Mechanical Society are requested to meet on Monday Evening next at the usual place.*

Feb. 28, 1795.

*** *A stated meeting of the trustees of Pittsburgh Academy will be held on Tuesday Evening next at six o'clock at Mr. Morrow's Pittsburgh.*

J. BRISON, Sec.

Pitt. Feb. 28, 1795.

Came to the house of William Whitsids, near Pittsburgh, obout the first of January a red Cow, with a large white spot on her face, a crop off the right ear, and a split in the left ear, the owners is desired to come, prove property, pay charges, & take her away.

WILLIAM GILL.

Feb. 25, 1795.

AN act laying duties on property sold at Auction, "Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, of the United States of America, in Congress assembled that from and after the thirteenth day of September 1794 there shall be levied collected and paid for the use of the United States upon all sales by way of Auction as hereinafter described, which shall be made within the United States, the respective rates and duties following, to wit: the sum of one fourth of a dollar for every hundred dollars of the purchase money arising by sale at auction of any interest, right, or estate, in any lands, tenements, or hereditaments & half a dollar for stock arising by sale at auction of all other goods, chattels, rights and credits whatsoever and at the same rate for any greater or lesser sum; and it is further enacted that no person shall exercise the trade or business of an Auctioneer by the selling of any estates, goods, or effects whatsoever by auction, or any other mode of sale whereby the best or highest bidder is deemed to be the purchaser, unless such persons shall have a license or other special authority, continuing in force pursuant to some law of a state or issued pursuant to the directions of this Act on pain of forfeiting for every such sale at auction, the some of Four Hundred Dollars, together with the sums or duties payable by this act upon the estates, goods, or effects, so sold; and as I am impowered as Auctioneer for the county of Allegheny, all gentlemen that may have any sales or vendues, I will be ready to wait on such by sending to the office of Inspection, or to my house the day of auction.

IAMES CHAMBERS. Auctioneer.

Pitts. Feb. 25, 1795.

To be sold by private Sale, *A Tract of* 300 *acres of Land, situate on the road to Elizabeth Town, about eight miles from Pittsburgh, there are two Houses and a Barn,* 70 *acres of cleared ground* 5 *acres of meadow, and* 100 *more may be made with little expence, also two peach orchards, and some bearing apple trees; a good mill Seat and part of the race dug. It will be either sold in whole or in part. For terms of sale apply to the subscriber near the premises.*

WILLIAM REED,
Atorney for BENJAMIN REED. Allegheny County,

Feb. 27, 1795.

NOTICE.

There is to be sold by the subscriber A tract of Land, situated on the waters of the Monongahela, in Washington County and joining lands of Jacob Figley and others containing one hundred acres of the first rate Land; thirty acres clear and five acres in meadow—three valuable Sugar camps and a promising young orchard for terms apply to.

ABRAHAM SUTHERD.

Feb. 20, 1795.

Came to the plantation of the subscriber, about two miles from the mouth of Pigion creek, some time in last November, a dun coulared steer, with a white streak along his back, no ear mark, three years old, the owner is desired to come prove, property pay charges and take him away.

JOSEPH HALL.

Feb. 16 1795.

TO BE LET,
for such a term of years as may be agreed on, and possession given the first of April next, that well known TAVERN, the sign of the

BEAR,
IN PITTSBURGH.

For the information of those who are unacquainted with its situation, it may not be amiss to inform them that perhaps it is not inferior, if not superior, to any stand in the western country. The house is 46 by 32 feet with a large hall and four rooms on the first floor, the upper story is divided into convenient rooms, one of which is 32 feet by 18, a good garret, an excellent cellar under the whole house, divided by a partition in the middle, a good kitchen, with a convenient oven for servants to lodge; a never failing spring of pure water in the piazza well floored in which is an excellent draw-well, that in the dryest season produces a sufficiency of water. The stables is in compleat order, 50 by 30 feet, well finished with stalls, and will contain upwards of 15 horses; there is also a large yard properly paved, with a horse shed therein for tying horses, and a garden adjoining, in good order; there is also several out houses and convenient, four of them brick, all very rich and under good fences, which will be also

The above house would not suit any person but a man of credit and character that can apply. A considerable quantity of furniture will be sold with it. For terms apply to the subscriber on the premises.

JOHN MCMASTERS.

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JOHN MCMASTERS.

January 21, 1795.

THE subscriber, living at the mouth of Yellow Creek, on the Ohio, has for sale, a number of likely young

NEGROES,
Men and Women, and Children, which he will dispose of on reasonable terms, for cash, or on a credit of one, two or three years, for approved security.

JOHN CANON.

Yellow Creek, Dec. 25, 1794.

THE subscriber